employees and therefore, the question of pay scale for them does not arise.

(c) Yes, Sir. Such volunteers have been deployed on other Railways also.

Subarnarekha project

1028. SHRI SHYAM SUNDAR MOHAPATRA: Will the Minister of IRRIGATION be pleased to state what is the latest position regarding the execution of the Subarnarekha multipurpose project?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF IRRIGATION (SHRI RAM NIWAS MIRDHA): Progress of works on the Subarnarekha Multipurpose Project in Bihar upto end of March 1984 are as under:

Chandil Dam:

Pre-construction activities like approach road, colony buildings, water supply, construction power, workshops installation of construction plant and machinery have almost been completed.

Earthwork of dam is in progress.

Kharkai Dam at Icha:

Dam site colony is completed and the other infrastructure works are in progress. Tenders have been received for the dyke dams on the saddles. In respect of concrete dam, drilling data is being collected for detailed designs.

Kharkai Barrage at Ganjia:

The preliminary works on the project have been started.

Galudih Barrage:

Infrastructure works like approach road, colony buildings etc. have almost been completed. Tenders have been invited for construction of the barrage.

Chandil Left Main Canal:

Land acquisition for canal for about 22 Kms. out of 127 Kms. have been completed and action for land acquisition in further reaches upto 78 Kms. is in progress. Canal excavation has started in different reaches, where possession of land has been obtained

Left & Right Bank Canals from Kharkai Dam:

Tenders have been invited for construction of 30 Kms. length of canal.

Other components of Project:

In respect of other works such as Left and Right Bank Canal from Galudih Barrage, Right Bank Canal of Kharkai Barrage, investigations are in progress.

An expenditure of about Rs. 57.86 crores has been incurred on the Project upto March, 1984. For the year 1984-85, an outlay of Rs. 30 crores has been envisaged by Bihar.

Passengers travelling by Suburban trains in Bombay

1029. SHRI HUSEN DALWAI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the estimated number of passengers who travel by the Bombay Suburban trains daily; and

(b) the number of them who travel by the Western Railway and the number of them who travel by the Central Railway?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI A. B. A. GHANI KHAN CHAUDHURY): (a) and (b) The estimated number of passengers carried daily during 1st quarters of 1984-85 by Suburban trains in Bombay area on Western Railway was 20.68 lakhs and on Central Railway 19.19 lakhs.